

Package ‘AutoStrataK’

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Title Automatic Optimal Stratification for Survey Sampling

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Description Provides tools for the automatic stratification of survey populations using clustering and optimization techniques. The package assists researchers and survey practitioners in constructing homogeneous strata to improve the efficiency and precision of survey estimates. Functions are provided for generating strata, evaluating stratification quality, summarizing stratified populations, and visualizing stratification results. These tools support the design and implementation of efficient survey sampling strategies. The package utilizes standard statistical methods from survey sampling, clustering, and optimization for automatic stratification. Methods are described in Cochran (1977, ISBN:9780471162405) and Lohr (2021, ISBN:9780367354556).

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autostrata	<i>Automatic Stratification</i>
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Description

Automatically partitions a population into homogeneous strata using clustering-based methods. The resulting strata can be used in survey sampling designs to improve the precision and efficiency of estimates.

Usage

```
autostrata(data, target, n_strata = 4)
```

Arguments

data	A data frame containing the study variables.
target	A target variable used for stratification.
n_strata	An integer specifying the desired number of strata.

Value

A data frame containing the original data along with the assigned stratum membership. The returned object has class "autostrata".

Examples

```
data <- data.frame(
  x = c(10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35),
  y = c(5, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24)
)

result <- autostrata(
  data = data,
  target = y,
  n_strata = 2
)

head(result)
```

clustering_strata	<i>Create Optimal Strata</i>
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Description

Create Optimal Strata

Usage

```
clustering_strata(data, target, n_strata)
```

Arguments

data	Input data frame
target	Target variable name
n_strata	Number of strata

Value

Data frame with stratum assignments

compare_sampling	<i>Compare Efficiency</i>
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Description

Compares variance under simple random sampling (SRS) with within-stratum variance after stratification.

Usage

```
compare_sampling(data, target)
```

Arguments

data	A stratified data frame containing a variable named stratum.
target	Character string giving the target variable name.

Value

A numeric value representing relative efficiency. Values greater than 1 indicate improved efficiency due to stratification.

evaluate_strata	<i>Evaluate Strata</i>
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Description

Computes measures of stratification quality, including the overall variance of the target variable, the total within-stratum variance, and a homogeneity index.

Usage

```
evaluate_strata(data, target)
```

Arguments

data	A stratified data frame containing a column named <code>stratum</code> .
target	Character string specifying the target variable used for stratification.

Value

A list containing:

overall_variance Variance of the target variable in the full population.

within_variance Sum of within-stratum variances.

homogeneity Homogeneity index, where larger values indicate more homogeneous strata.

Examples

```
data <- data.frame(  
  income = c(15, 18, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50),  
  stratum = c(1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 4, 4)  
)  
  
evaluate_strata(  
  data = data,  
  target = "income"  
)
```

optimal_allocation	<i>Neyman Allocation</i>
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Description

Neyman Allocation

Usage

```
optimal_allocation(data, target, total_sample)
```

Arguments

data	Stratified data frame
target	Target variable name
total_sample	Total sample size

Value

Allocation table

plot.autostrata	<i>Plot Strata</i>
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Description

Plot Strata

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'autostrata'  
plot(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	Object of class autostrata
...	Additional arguments

Value

A ggplot object

summary.autostrata *Summary Method*

Description

Summary Method

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'autostrata'  
summary(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object	Object of class autostrata
...	Additional arguments

Value

Printed summary

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